ed demand of Rs. 27.80 crores from M/s. ITC Ltd., Bangalore has been got vacated;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(e) -what steps Government propose to take against the said company to recover the dues in public interastv

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) and (b) No Sir, the stay order has not so far been asked to take steps for vacation of stay order and for early disposal of the writ petition. Action for recovery of dues will depend upon the order of the High Court.

Development of Adventure Tourism in the Country

*196. SHRI S, K. T. RAMACHAN-DRAN; Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what steps are being taken to encourage adventure tourism in the country;

(b) what has been the foreign exchange earning from tourism during 1991; and

(c) what steps are being taken to increase foreign exchange earning through tourism?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MA-DHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) To encourage Adventure Tourism financial assistance is provided to State Governments for purchase of equipment. Seminars, Meets, Exhibitions and training programmes are organised in association with State Governments and adventure related organisations. Publicity material is also produced for marketing and promotion of adventure tourism in India and abroad.

(b) Foreign exchange earnings from tourism for the years 1988-89, 1989-90 and 1990-91 are estimated at Rs. 2053 crores, Rs. 2456 cores and Rs. 2441 crores respectively.

(c) Continuous and concerted efforts are made to increase tourist arrivals and foreign exchange earnings. These include development of infrastructure facilities, identification and development of new destinations as well as publicity, promotion and marketing in the tourism generating markets overseas. A National Action Plan for Tourism for increasing tourist arrivals and foreign exchange earnings has been presented to Parliament on 5-5-1992,

CBI Investigations against ITDC Executives

*197. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some of the ITDC executives against whom vigilance cases and/or CBI/CVC investigations were pending have either resigned or have been offered premature retirement under the Voluntary Retirement Scheme of the ITDC;

(b) if so, what are the details of such executives alongwith the cases in which they were/are involved and quantum of compensation given to them under this scheme;

(c) what is the justification for dropping the CBI/CVC investigations and alo the disciplinary cases against the said ITDC executives; and

(d) whether Government would order an impartial inquiry to Ax the responsibility on the concerned officials who favoured the above-men tioned employees of the ITDC with the benefit under the Voluntary retirement Scheme?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MA-DHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Yes, Sir. Some of the ITDC executives against whom internal vigilance cases or CBI investigations were pending have hought voluntary retirement under the Voluntary Retirement Scheme.

(b) CBI investigations are pending in respect of the following two offi-

1. Shri P. S. Krishna GM (MM & D)

2. R.K- Jain Sr. Mgr (MM & D)

No compensation has been paid to them. Their requests for volun tary retirement have not been accep ted.

cers, details of which are given be low:

Misuse of tfficial position for obtaining dealership of toilctary items from private firm, in the name of his wife.

Placing supply orders to non-existing firms as a roi-ult bogus payment was made to the suppliers.

The applications for voluntary retirement in respect of the folliwing officers have been accepted. Details of the internal vigilanc cases are shown against their names:

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S. No.	Name	Allegations
1	S/Shri R.G. Virlley Dy. General Manager (Per)	. Adminisirative lapse.
2	R. Bhardwaj Sr. Manager (Mktg)	. Error of judgement
3	G.B.Singh Manager (Civil)	Lack of supervision and neg-ligence.
4	Ashok Sood Manager Hotel Jammu Ashok	Misuse of Perks
5	T.R. Churasia Asstt.Mgr. (E&M)	Mis-bjhaviour in the office premises
6	B.C. Mehra Asstt. Manager (Recereation) .	. Exceeding the limits of authority
7	CL.SahniAsstt. Manager(MV&D)	Minor irregulpriiies in purchase of stationery items.

These Executives will be paid the normal retirement benefits under the Voluntary Retirement Scheme duly approved by the Government of India like any other employee seeking Voluntary Retirement.

(c) The allegations against the above Executives were of minor na ture and would not have resulted into major penalty action after enquiries. The Corporation therefore, d!ecided that no useful purpose would be ser ved by refusing their request for vo luntary retirement.

(d) No, Sir. No case of favourit ism is involved.

Clearing of applications under the Advance Import Licensing: Scheme

*198. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR S AHU:

SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state;

(a) whether the liberalised process introduced by Government has any impact on disposal of 'Issue of Advance Licence' to exporters;

(b) what is the number of applications that have been received by the CCI&E under the value-based Advance Import Licensing Scheme during the months of April, May and June, 1992 after the announcement of new Exim policy on the let April, 1992;

(c) what is the number of such ap-plications that have been cleared together with the number of applications that have bean rejected and also the reasons therefor;